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SUBJECT: PRESS BRIEFING ON CAT TALKS

1. ACTING DEPUTY SPOKESMAN TOM RESTON ANNOUNCED CAT TALKS
AT NOON BRIEFING TODAY.
2. IN ANSWER TO QUESTIONS AS TO APPROPRIATENESS OF TALKS
AT THIS TIME AND WHAT WE HOPED TO ACCOMPLISH (WOULD WE GET
DOWN TO SPECIFICS?) SPOKESMAN USED FIRST SECOND AND FIFTH
ANSWERS IN PRESS GUIDANCE.

3. SPOKESMAN ALSO SAID:

-- MIDDLE EAST NOT EXCLUDED FROM OUR GOAL OF REVERSING
WORLD-WIDE ARMS RACE

-- HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER CONGRESS HAD BEEN CONSULTED
ON DECISION TO HOLD TALKS OR WHY TALKS WERE NOT ANNOUNCED
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AT THE TIME THEY WERE SCHEDULED

4. SPOKESMAN TOOK FOLLOWING SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS:

-- ARE THE CAT TALKS MOVING AHEAD ON THEIR OWN

MOMENTUM, OR WAS THERE A SPECIFIC REVIEW OF THEM JUST

PRIOR TO TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENT? DID THIS REVIEW INCLUDE
THE PRESIDENT?

-- WERE THESE TALKS INCLUDED IN THE BROADER REVIEW OF
US/SOVIET COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS AND NEGOTIATIONS WHICH
WAS CONDUCTED LAST WEEK?

5. WE ARE DEVELOPING ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS WITH NSC.
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